



## THE DOWNTOWN WESTMINSTER MAIN STREET NEWS January/February 2010

### Art of Motion Dance presents The Nutcracker at the Carroll Arts Center on January 2<sup>nd</sup>

Due to the "Blizzard of 2009," the Art of Motion Dance Center of Owings Mills will now present this abbreviated version of the Nutcracker Ballet at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 12:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. This narrated tale of the holiday favorite is perfect for young children. Dancers representing the Land of the Sweets will distribute sweet treats to young guests at the conclusion of the performance. Children can have their picture taken with the Sugar Plum Fairy and enjoy a magical holiday celebration of dance. All tickets for these performances are \$8.00. For more information, please call (410) 581-9175.

### Port Righ: Live in Concert at the Church of the Ascension on January 3<sup>rd</sup>

As part of the Evensong Concert Series, the Celtic duo Port Righ will perform in concert at the Church of the Ascension, 23 North Court Street, on Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>, beginning at 5:00 p.m. Featuring Celtic harp, bagpipes, and English concertina, the distinctive duo also incorporates vocals into their passionate renditions of traditional Celtic music. The duo specializes in Scottish music and has spent a great deal of time in Scotland absorbing the sights, sounds, and nuances of the culture, lending authenticity to their unique sound. While ranging from lively marches and dance tunes to wistful airs from Scotland, Port Righ broadens their repertoire with traditional Irish music, vocal pieces, and their own original works. Their musical partnership is marked by a warm, balanced sound and a faithfulness to Celtic tradition. In every performance audiences can clearly see their respect for each other and their passion for the music they create. A reception will follow the concert. For more information, call (410) 596-1022.

### The First Thursday Art History Series Presents the Dada Movement at the Carroll Arts Center on January 7<sup>th</sup>

The First Thursday Art History Series will present a study of the Dada Movement at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>, at noon and 7:00 p.m. Dada, the literary - turned - art movement, was formed in the aftermath and carnage of World War I. Join Susan Williamson for a tour de force of Dada art, poetry, music and film. Be prepared to make, create and live in the moment of the Dada spirit. The art history series, sponsored by the Carroll County Arts Council, will run through April and consist of a mix of films about artists, short lectures and hands-on creative activities. Single event tickets are \$10.00 and \$8.00 for Arts Council members while tickets for the entire series are \$35.00 and \$25.00.

### Common Ground on the Hill Presents Guy Davis and the High Flying Rockets at the Carroll Arts Center on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>

Common Ground on the Hill's 2009-2010 Roots Music Concerts Series continues its season on a special night with Guy Davis and the High Flying Rockets - Professor Louie and Mark Murphy - at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 p.m. He's a musician, composer, actor, director, and writer. But most importantly, Guy Davis is a bluesman. The blues permeates every corner of Davis' creativity. Throughout his career, he has dedicated himself to reviving the traditions of acoustic blues and bringing them to as many "ears" as possible through the material of the great blues masters, African American stories, and his own original songs, stories and performance pieces. He has won the Blues Foundation's W.C. Handy "Keeping the Blues Alive Winner" and has been nominated for a number of additional Handy Awards. Numerous acclaimed releases on Redhouse Records have cemented Guy's place on the world blues circuit. Joining Guy will be Aaron "Professor Louie" Hurwitz and Mark Murphy. Hurwitz is a talented multi-instrumentalist on the Hammond organ, keyboards and accordion and an exceptional vocalist. He was tagged "Professor Louie" by The Band's Rick Danko while performing together as a duo. Professor Louie co-produced, engineered and performed on The Band's last three CD's, "Jericho", "High On The Hog" and "Jubilation". Tickets are \$19.00 for adults and \$17.00 for students with ID, children 18 years & under and seniors 60 years & over. For tickets or more information on the 2009-2010 Concert Series, call Common Ground on the Hill at (410) 857-2771.



Guy Davis (l) and Professor Louie (r), along with Mark Murphy, perform at the Carroll Arts Center on Friday, January 8<sup>th</sup>



Tribute artist Joe Forrester celebrates the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Elvis' birth at the Carroll Arts Center on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>

### Joe Forrester presents a 75th Birthday Bash with Elvis and Friends at the Carroll Arts Center on January 9<sup>th</sup>

Come and celebrate the 75th anniversary of Elvis' birth with Elvis tribute artist Joe Forrester and friends at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Music spanning the whole of Elvis' 30 year career will be performed. Wear your poodle skirts, beehive hairdos and other 60s and 70s clothes to help celebrate the birth of the King of Rock-n-Roll and the music that impacted so many people both then and now. All tickets are \$15.00.

## January 12<sup>th</sup>'s Box Lunch Talk Focuses on Small Towns of Carroll County

Carroll County is an area rich with distinctive communities. Join County Commissioner Dean Minnich, author of *Towns and Villages of Carroll County*, as he explores these communities and discusses how he researched their stories at the Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup>, Box Lunch Talk. Presented by the Historical Society of Carroll County (HSCC), The Box Lunch Talks are a monthly lecture series on topics relating to local history. The talks are held the second Tuesday of each month from noon to 1 p.m. at Carroll Post #31 of the American Legion at the corner of East Green and Sycamore Streets. Participants are encouraged to bring a lunch. Beverages and dessert are provided for all. Admission is \$1.00 for Historical Society members and a \$4.00 donation is requested from non-members.

## Ubuntu Premieres in the Tevis Gallery on January 14<sup>th</sup>

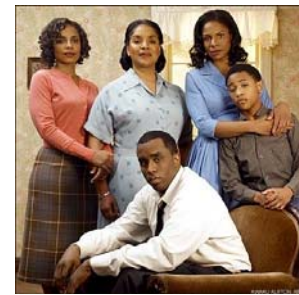
The Carroll County Arts Council is pleased to present the exhibit "Ubuntu" in the Tevis Gallery of the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, from January 14<sup>th</sup> through March 16<sup>th</sup>. "Ubuntu" is a South African philosophy of community spirit that can best be summed up as "I in You and You in Me." Ubuntu will feature a variety of talented artists who grew up in other nations and now make their home in Maryland with the exception of one. Their art is reflective of a combination of traditional styles and world views from their birth nations combined with the Western aesthetic they encountered here. Home, family, love, nature, war and loss, all collective themes of humanness are expressed realistically, abstractly and in mixed media. Artists to be featured include: Najwa Al-Amin, Baltimore/Iraq; Pablo Caviedes, Ecuador/New York City; Irina Filonova, Columbia/Russia; Zahi Khamis, Baltimore/Palestine; Kateryna Mychajlyshun, Baltimore/Ukraine; Pritinder, Frederick/India; and Sunil Sukla, Boonsboro/Bangladesh. Gallery admission is free. The Carroll Arts Center is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

## FLICC presents "Satin Rouge" at the Carroll Arts Center on January 15<sup>th</sup>

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are proud to present "Satin Rouge" at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, January 15<sup>th</sup>, at 8:00 p.m. The mysterious, yet traditional art of belly dancing takes center stage in this uplifting film. After the death of her husband, Lilia's life revolves solely around her teenage daughter, Salma. While looking for Salma late one night, Lilia stumbles upon a belly dance cabaret and, though initially reserved and taken aback by the culture of the place, Lilia gets consistently drawn back to it. She befriends one of the dancers and is encouraged to perform for the audience. She begins a romance with the art form as well as one of the cabaret's musicians. The film won major awards at the Seattle International Film Festival, the Montreal World Film Festival and the Torino International Festival of Young Cinema. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, students under 18 and seniors 60 years & over.



FLICC presents *Satin Rouge* on January 15<sup>th</sup>



*Sounder* and *A Raisin in the Sun* will be shown on Martin Luther King Day

## Celebrate Martin Luther King Day at the Movies on January 18<sup>th</sup>

The Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, is pleased to present two thought-provoking movies to celebrate Martin Luther King Day on Monday, January 18<sup>th</sup>. The movie "Sounder" kicks off the celebration at 11:00 a.m. "Sounder" is about The Morgans, a loving and strong family of black sharecroppers in Louisiana in 1933, that face a serious family crisis when the husband and father, Nathan Lee Morgan played by Paul Winfield, is convicted of a petty crime and sent to a prison camp. After a period of time, the wife and mother, Rebecca Morgan played by Cicely Tyson, sends the oldest son, David Lee Morgan played by Kevin Hooks, who is about 11 years old, to visit his father at the camp. The trip becomes something of an odyssey for the boy with many life lessons learned. Following "Sounder" at 2:00 p.m. is the made-for-TV movie, "A Raisin in the Sun." Starring Phylicia Rashad and Sean "Diddy" Combs, "A Raisin in the Sun" tells the tale of a black family's struggles to deal with poverty, racism and inner conflict, as they strive for a better life after moving to Chicago's South Side in the 1950s. The movie is based on the powerful play by Lorraine Hansberry. Admission to both movies is free, courtesy of Carroll Community College. No tickets are required, but seating is on a "first-come, first served" basis.

## Celebrate Carroll County's 173<sup>rd</sup> Birthday on January 19<sup>th</sup>

Join the Historical Society of Carroll County on Tuesday, January 19<sup>th</sup>, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., as they celebrate the founding of Carroll County on January 19, 1837, in Holy Cross Hall of the Church of the Ascension, 23 North Court Street. Nancy Gibson, noted historian and former curator of the museum of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Washington, DC, will present a program on Carroll County quilts and their history in honor of the event. Admission is free. Refreshments will be provided. Ample parking is available in the lot on Ralph Street behind the church. For more information on the celebration, call the Historical Society at (410) 848-6494.

## Poetry Returns to the Carroll Arts Center on January 21<sup>st</sup>

After an extended absence, poetry reading returns to the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on the third Thursday of each month, beginning Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6:00 p.m. Poet Kevin Thornton will lead the way on this inaugural session that will feature Alan Bogage, Barbara DeCesare, Danutua E. Kosk-Kosicka, Darcel Harris, Shawn Lockhart, Susan Thornton and Christina Collins-Smith. There will be an Open Microphone session for those that would like to share a short poem. Admission is free. For more information, contact Christina Collins-Smith at [onetreemanybranches@gmail.com](mailto:onetreemanybranches@gmail.com).

## Iron Ridge: Traditional Bluegrass Live in Concert at the Carroll Arts Center on January 23<sup>rd</sup>

Back by popular demand, the high-energy traditional bluegrass band, Iron Ridge, will perform a live concert at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. The 4-piece band is one of the region's premiere country music ensembles and they are dedicated to the preservation of old-time traditional bluegrass in the style of Bill Monroe, Dr. Ralph Stanley and others. The band performs at numerous fairs and festivals throughout the northeast and has a loyal local following. Their toe tapping, hand clapping music has infectious rhythms and natural harmonies. They play a variety of traditional country and gospel favorites. They have won numerous awards for their music, including the coveted top award at the Fiddler's Convention. Tickets for the concert are \$14.00 for adults and \$12.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. The snow date for the concert is Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 p.m. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.

## The First Thursday Art History Series Presents *Against All Odds: The Artists of the Harlem Renaissance* at the Carroll Arts Center on February 4<sup>th</sup>

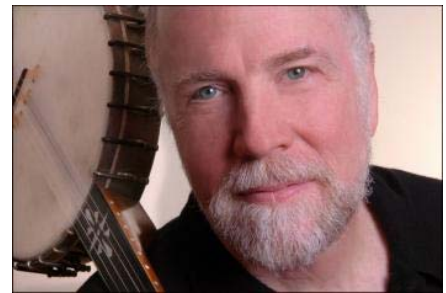
The First Thursday Art History Series will present the film "*Against All Odds: The Artists of the Harlem Renaissance*" at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Thursday, February 4<sup>th</sup>, at noon and 7:00 p.m. This film features more than 150 rarely seen works of art by black artists including rare archival footage of those artists at work. Witness the most important Renaissance movement set in America. The art history series, sponsored by the Carroll County Arts Council, will run through April and consist of a mix of films about artists, short lectures and hands-on creative activities. Tickets are \$10.00 and \$8.00 for Arts Council members.

## FLICC Kicks Off the 2010 Foreign Film Fest at the Carroll Arts Center with *Departures (Okuribito)* on February 5<sup>th</sup>

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are proud to host the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Foreign Film Festival at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, during the month of February. This year's festival will run four consecutive Friday evenings, beginning February 5<sup>th</sup>. Per tradition, the Festival will start with the previous year's Academy Award winner for Best Foreign Film - *Departures (Okuribito)* from Japan. Daigo Kobayashi is a devoted cellist in an orchestra that has just been dissolved and now finds himself unemployed. Daigo decides to move back to his old hometown with his wife to look for work and start over. He answers a classified ad entitled "Departures" thinking it is an advertisement for a travel agency only to discover that the job is actually for a "Nokanshi" or "encoffineer," a funeral professional who prepares deceased bodies for burial and entry into the next life. While his wife and others despise the job, Daigo takes a certain pride in his work and begins to perfect the art of "Nokanshi," acting as a gentle gatekeeper between life and death, between the departed and the family of the departed. The film follows his profound and sometimes comical journey with death as he uncovers the wonder, joy and meaning of life and living. All of the films in the festival will start at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.



Publicity posters of this year's Foreign Film Festival films



John McCutcheon performs February 6<sup>th</sup>

## Common Ground on the Hill presents John McCutcheon at the Carroll Arts Center on February 6<sup>th</sup>

Common Ground on the Hill's 2009-2010 Roots Music Concerts Series presents folksinger John McCutcheon at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 p.m. John McCutcheon has emerged as one of our most respected and loved folksingers. As an instrumentalist, he is the master of a dozen different traditional instruments, most notably the rare and beautiful hammer dulcimer. His songwriting has been hailed by critics and singers around the globe. His thirty recordings have garnered every imaginable honor including seven Grammy nominations. He has produced over twenty albums for other artists, from traditional fiddlers to contemporary singer-songwriters to educational and documentary works. His books and instructional materials have introduced budding players to the joys of their own musicality. Tickets are \$19.00 for adults and \$17.00 for students with ID, children 18 years & under and seniors 60 years & over. For tickets or more information, call (410) 857-2771.

## *La vie en Rose (La môme)* is the 2<sup>nd</sup> film of the 2010 Foreign Film Fest at the Carroll Arts Center on February 12<sup>th</sup>

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are pleased to present the French film *La vie en Rose (La môme)* as the second installment of the 2010 Foreign Film Festival at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 p.m. *La vie en Rose (La môme)* is an award winning biopic illuminating the extraordinary life of the Little Sparrow - singer Edith Piaf. Marion Cotillard performs an uncanny portrayal of this complex cabaret performer. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.

## Blue Moon Big Band: Live in Concert at the Carroll Arts Center on February 13<sup>th</sup>

Treat your valentine to an evening of jump, jive and jazz music with the acclaimed "Blue Moon Big Band" at the Carroll Arts Center on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 7:30 p.m. This talented 19-member group plays the classic sounds of the 30's, 40's and 50's with authentic style and elegance. Hear the stirring rhythms of Count Basie, the lush melodies of Glenn Miller and infectious dance beats of Benny Goodman. "Blue Moon" was recently featured in the major motion picture "*My One and Only*," starring Kevin Bacon and Renee Zellweger. Complimentary hors d'oeuvres will be served at intermission. Wine, beer and soda will be available for sale. It promises to be a memorable evening of music. Tickets for the concert are \$20.00 for adults and \$15.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. The snow date for the concert is Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.



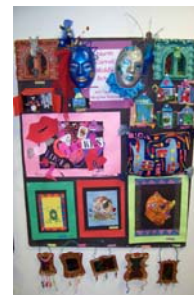
Here are several of pictures of the band during the filming of "My One and Only."

### Just Another "Magic Monday" Takes to the Carroll Arts Center Stage on February 15<sup>th</sup>

Mr. Dave Thomen of D's Magic will take the stage at the Carroll Arts Center in a live performance on Monday, February 15<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 1:00 p.m. The public schools are closed for Presidents Day, so Mr. Dave is sure to include a bit of Presidential trivia and wizardry into his performance. Thomen is an accomplished magician whose show combines comedy and magic. His illusions are choreographed to lively music. He inspires playful audience participation and interaction. His innovative routines and classic magic will fascinate audience members of all ages. Tickets are \$5.00 for adults and \$3.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. The snow date for the performance is Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, at 1:00 p.m. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.

### Carroll Arts Center Presents Youth Arts Month Show in the Community Gallery February 16<sup>th</sup> through March 11<sup>th</sup>

The Carroll County Arts Council is proud to present art work representing the finest in creativity in Carroll County's Elementary and Middle Schools in the Community Gallery of the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, from Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>. Joyful, colorful expressions of youthful vision will fill the gallery from floor to ceiling in this annual celebration.



Previous Works of Art Displayed during Youth Arts Month at the Carroll Arts Center

### The 3<sup>rd</sup> Film of the 2010 Foreign Film Festival is *Lemon Tree (Etz Limon)* on February 19<sup>th</sup>

On Friday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 p.m., Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are proud to present the Israeli/German/French film *Lemon Tree (Etz Limon)* as the third film of the 2010 Foreign Film Festival at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street. This film provides a unique insight into the ongoing struggles of the Middle East as seen through the eyes of a Palestinian widow who has to stand up against her new neighbor, the Israeli Defense Minister, when he issues orders to uproot her beloved lemon trees that he believes pose a security threat. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.

### The Westminster Coin and Currency Show to be Held at the John Street Quarters on February 21<sup>st</sup>

The semi-annual Westminster Coin and Currency Show will be held in the John Street Quarters of the Westminster Fire Department, 28 John Street, on Sunday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Coin and currency appraisals, buying, selling and trading will occur, with more than 30 coin dealers from Maryland, Delaware and Virginia in attendance. For more information, go to [www.coinshows.com](http://www.coinshows.com).

### The 2010 Foreign Film Fest at the Carroll Arts Center Concludes with *The Way Home (Jibeuro)* on February 26<sup>th</sup>

Film Lovers in Carroll County (FLICC) are pleased to conclude the 2010 Foreign Film Festival with a showing of the South Korean film *The Way Home (Jibeuro)* at the Carroll Arts Center, 91 West Main Street, on Friday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Seven-year-old Sang-woo is left with his grandmother in a remote village while his mother looks for work. Born and raised in the city, Sang-woo quickly comes into conflict with his old-fashioned grandmother and his new rural surroundings. Disrespectful and selfish, Sang-woo lashes out in anger, perceiving that he has been abandoned. When Sang-woo's mother finds work and finally returns for him, Sang-woo has become a different boy. Through his grandmother's boundless patience and devotion, he learns to embrace empathy, humility and the importance of family. Tickets are \$6.00 for adults and \$5.00 for Arts Council members, seniors 60 years & over and students 18 years & under. For more information, call (410) 848-7272.

### Downtown Business Happenings

#### Great Things to Check Out in Downtown

- Culinary delights will once again flourish at **Giulianova Groceria & Italian Deli**, 11 East Main Street, with cooking lessons occurring in January and February. The January lessons on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> will be focused on soups. Chef Billy Schroeder will show you how to prepare Italian wedding soup; sausage, potato & leek soup; shrimp bisque and pasta e fagioli. In February, Chef Billy will present "The Wonderful World of Italian Gravy," also known as Cooking with Marinara, on the 10<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The cost for each class is \$30.00 per person. Classes start at 7:15 p.m. To sign-up for these classic culinary events, call Billy at (410) 876-7425.

- **Johansson's Dining House**, 4 West Main Street, will have some live music in the Two-Headed Pheasant Draught House during January and February. Performers include: Greg Pfeiffer on January 8<sup>th</sup>; Ken Fischer & Wayne Smith on January 29<sup>th</sup>; and Greg Pfeiffer on February 12<sup>th</sup>. To find out who else might be performing, call Johansson's at (410) 876-0101.
- **O'Lordans Irish Pub** at 14 Liberty Street will have live music on Saturday nights from 9:00 p.m. to Midnight during January and February. The performance schedule is as follows: January 9<sup>th</sup> - Ben Sherman; January 16<sup>th</sup> - One Third Wish; January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Gary Brown Duo; January 30<sup>th</sup> - Ken Fischer & Wayne Smith; February 6<sup>th</sup> - Finnegans Woo; February 13<sup>th</sup> - Ben & Elena; February 20<sup>th</sup> - Mike & Chris; and February 27<sup>th</sup> - One Third Wish. Also, don't forget that traditional Irish music sessions are held the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month from 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. The sessions are open to all levels and all traditional Irish and Celtic musicians and listeners. To check out O'Lordan's great menu and beverages on tap, go to [www.olordansirishpub.com](http://www.olordansirishpub.com).
- **Wine Me Up!**, 61½ East Main Street, currently has Chris Hurley scheduled to perform on January 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>; Ben Sherman on January 16<sup>th</sup>; and karaoke on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. All performances are from 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Also, **Wine Me Up!** is now serving lunch on Tuesdays through Saturdays from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. To check on other news, specials and February musical events at Wine Me Up!, go to: <http://www.winemeupshoppeandtavern.com/index.html>.
- **Aquino & Wolpoff Financial Group** will begin a series of bi-monthly Financial Workshops that free and open to the public in February. These educational presentations will offer helpful information, perspectives on current financial issues and discussions on hot topics. Their first Workshop, entitled "9 Steps to Navigate Your Way to A Comfortable Retirement", is scheduled for February 12<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p.m., in the lobby of their office building at 63 East Main Street. For inquiries or to RSVP to the workshop, call (410) 857-3331.

#### New Faces or Different Places

- **Aura Salon & Spa** is now open for business at 21 East Main Street. Hours of operation are Tuesday through Thursday from 10:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.; Friday from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; and Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- **Rob's Truck and Auto Repair** is now open for business at the former Yingling Tire Service location at 19 Liberty Street. The shop is owned by Rob McDonnell, who has 20 years experience with car and truck repair and is an ASE Certified Technician. Rob's Truck and Auto Repair specializes in Ford power stroke diesel trucks and also services all makes and models of cars and trucks in the tri-county area. The shop is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 5:30 p.m., no appointment necessary. For more information about Rob's Truck and Auto, call Michelle McDonnell at 410-871-4800 or visit their website at [www.robstruckandauto.com](http://www.robstruckandauto.com).
- Local offices of **MetLife Home Loans** and **MetLife Financial Services** are now located on the third floor of the old Firehouse at 66 East Main Street.
- Also now located on the third floor of the old Firehouse at 66 East Main Street is **Top Floor Nail Salon**.
- **Bizmarquee.com, inc.**, a web design and web hosting company focusing on the needs of entrepreneurial and local business since 1998, is now located in the Longwell Building at 77 East Main Street.
- **Gardiner Private Wealth Management** is now located at 133 East Main Street - Suite #1A.
- **Parent Child Press Inc.**, a unique publishing company working to enhance early childhood and elementary learning by interpreting and expanding the educational philosophy of Maria Montessori, is now headquartered at 150 East Main Street - Suite 100.
- **Zsuzsana Davidson's The Holistic Center for Natural Therapies** is now located in Suite 207 of The Times Building at 63 East Main Street.

#### Coming Soon...

- **The Pit**, a take-out pit beef restaurant, expects to be open in late January/early February at 57 West Main Street.

#### Anniversaries

- **Wine Me Up! Wine Bar & Shoppe**, 61½ East Main Street, celebrates its 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary this January. Congratulations to Patrice and Tony Campitelli!

#### Kudos to...

- Eileen Gist, Lori Graham, Jalna Brown and the rest of the crew of Dutterer's Flower Shop; Mark DeGasperi, his family and the rest of the folks at Interstate Batteries and Lyndi McNulty of Gizmo's for putting on a fantastic Holiday Electric Parade this past holiday season. Thank you for all of your time and effort!!! Thanks also goes out to all of the City employees who took part in making the parade and the rest of the Miracle on Main Street a great success!

If you have a business happening you want to share with the Westminster Main Street Community, please feel free to email Stan Ruchlewicz at [sruchlewicz@westgov.com](mailto:sruchlewicz@westgov.com) with the information for inclusion in a future issue.

**HAVE A SAFE & PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!**



**DON'T FORGET TO SHOP DOWNTOWN FOR YOUR SWEETHEART THIS VALENTINE'S DAY TOO!!!**